State of South Dakota

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SENATE BILL NO. 129

Introduced by: Senators McIntyre, Dennert, Hutmacher, Koetzle, Moore, Reedy, Sutton (Dan), Symens, and Volesky and Representatives Kooistra, Bartling, Bradford, Burg, Davis, Elliott, Garnos, Gillespie, Hanson (Gary), Hargens, Kloucek, Lange, Nachtigal, Nesselhuf, Olson (Mel), and Sigdestad

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require school boards to notify the parent or guardian
- 2 of each student being taught by an uncertified teacher or by a certified teacher who is not
- 3 certified to teach that particular course or grade.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That chapter 13-43 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 6 follows:
- 7 If a school board assigns an uncertified teacher to teach the same course or grade for more
- 8 than fifteen consecutive school days during the same school year, the superintendent of the
- 9 school district shall provide written notice of the assignment to the parent or guardian of each
- student in that course or grade. If a school board assigns a certified teacher to teach a course or
- grade for which the teacher is not certified for more than fifteen consecutive school days during
- the same school term, the superintendent shall provide written notice of the assignment to the
- parent or guardian of each student in that particular course or grade. The superintendent shall
- provide the notice required by this section not later than the fifteenth consecutive school day

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- 1 following the assignment. The school board shall retain a copy of any notice provided under this
- 2 section and make it available to the public upon request.